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amendment be adopted? All in favor of the question vote aye, those opposed nay. The question before the body is, shall AM2845 be adopted? Have you all voted who care to? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK:      34 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of Senator Landis' amendment to the committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The amendment has been adopted.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment to the committee amendments is offered by Senator Schrock, but I have a note, Senator, you wish to withdraw.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is withdrawn.

ASSISTANT CLERK: In that case, I have nothing further pending to committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Back to discussion of the committee amendments themselves, Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, I'm not sure I'm very excited about the committee amendments, and I want to go back and talk a little bit about our Department of Economic Development and what they've been doing and some of the focus they've been trying to give to their efforts, and relate to you how, at least within their construct of the things we should be encouraging, this particular industry is one of the very best things we can do, for a variety of reasons, one of the best things we can encourage. The Economic...the Department of Economic Development, they did a study some time past called the target industry study and since then they've been trying to update it. And they went through and tried to identify all of the factors that were most important to the people of the state; that is, what are the things we should look to that would help us define what sorts of industries and what sorts of industry clusters we should encourage and go after because, with these things we have the best chance of succeeding. And they talked about and put emphasis on such things as the concept of traded industries; that is, let's look for industries that...whose